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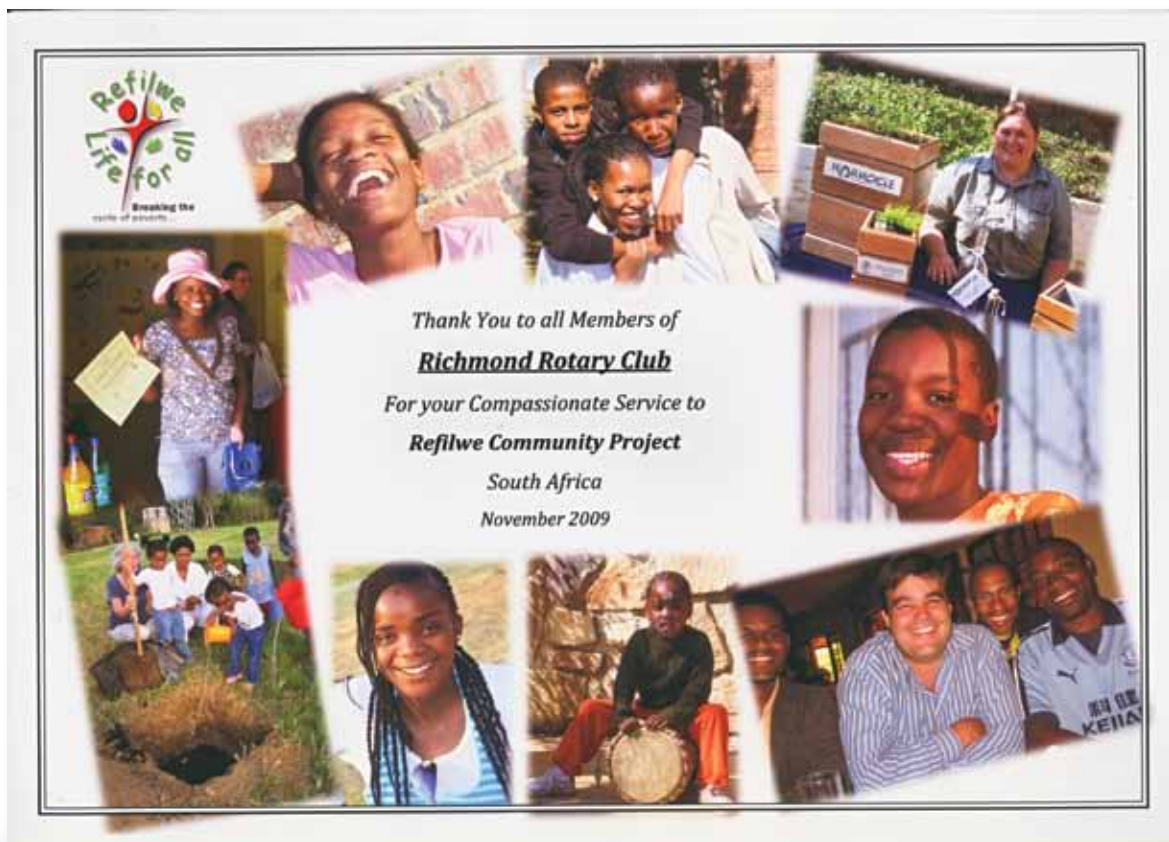
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2008 Refilwe Project

The Refilwe Community, north of Johannesburg, South Africa, includes a primary health clinic and a school for children. In August 2011, donations totaling \$300,000 from Rotary Clubs and private sources, completed a community kitchen, five classrooms and an eating hall. The Rotary Club of Richmond donated \$13,261 to this initiative of the Rotary Club of Richmond Sunset.



Disaster Relief

Hurricane Ivan: September 9, 2004

The Rotary Club of Richmond engaged in a joint project with the Rotary Club of St. George's Grenada to send relief supplies following the devastation by Hurricane Ivan. The first shipment was sent through 'normal channels' organized by non Rotary organizations with a cost of approximately \$7,000. The second shipment was made possible through the partnership of our club, the British Columbia Organization of Caribbean Cultural Associations, the Barbados Cultural Association of BC and the St Vincent & Grenadines Association of Greater Vancouver. Rotary World Help Network was responsible for the shipment and the total cost to ship the container was \$2,500. The contents were distributed to the General Hospital, children's homes, Child Welfare Authority and other individuals in need.



March 25, 2005, the St. Vincent & the Grenadines Association of Greater Vancouver donated \$7,400. Under Rotary's Matching Grant program, these funds were designated to the young people of Grenada for education. The Barbados Cultural Association of B.C. also donated \$1,000 to our club towards this project.

Tony Yurkovich, Barbara Duggan and Wilbur Walrond with the cheque donation



2008 Sponsored ShelterBox

The Rotary Club of Richmond sponsored three ShelterBoxes for international disaster relief. They were sent to Hargeisa, Somaliland and Somalia.

ShelterBoxes are distributed to disaster countries worldwide - a tough, green plastic box containing a 10-person tent and ancillary equipment designed to enable a family of up to 10 people survive for at least six months.

Philip Li at ShelterBox displayed at 2010 International Conference in Montreal



2007 Joint Wheelchair Project - South Africa



In a joint project with other Rotary Clubs from Richmond and Vancouver, a total of 276 wheelchairs were donated and then shipped in a container to South Africa. The Rotary Club of Richmond contributed 53 wheelchairs to this project.

Two thirds of these wheelchairs are for adults and the remainder for children. This measure of mobility allows adults to find work, raise their children and do family chores. Children who were previously unable to attend school can now do so.

International Aid for Children in Trinidad



1990 Donation to the Rotary Club of Port-of-Spain; dental equipment for the Princess Elizabeth School for mentally challenged children



1992 Donation of computers to a school for autistic children

2004 Korle-Bu Neuroscience

A joint project with Rotary Club of Accra East Ghana secured medical equipment and surgical tools for the training of Ghanaian doctors and nurses at the teaching hospital. The project goal was to assist in the establishment of a viable Clinical Neuroscience service for the people of Ghana and the West Africa sub-region. Dr. Seth Ayettey was instrumental in putting the Rotary Club of Richmond in contact with our partner, the Rotary Club of Accra East.



November 29, 2004

Barbara Duggan
President
Rotary Club of Richmond, B.C.
P.O. Box 94181
Richmond, B.C.
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Dear Ms. Duggan and the Rotary Club of Richmond,

On behalf of the Korle-Bu Neuroscience Project Team, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the contributions of approximately \$28,000 Canadian you raised for our Korle-Bu Neuroscience Project this past year.

The encouragement that we felt when we learned of your commitment to our vision and mission has been immense and enhanced our sense of extended family, something that we value deeply. To know that Canadians are providing a legacy to others that cannot possibly return the favour is extraordinary.

I have often said that our health care team is only as good as the tools they have to work with. Patients and families must place their trust in our delivery of quality care. Unfortunately, I have learned of events where alarms are ringing on faulty equipment, however, they continue to be depended upon due to not having replacement parts or the prospects to replace the faulty equipment in its' entirety. Consequently, lives are placed at risk. We want to change that. **Lives will be restored** because of equipment that is refurbished, trustworthy, and dependable. Confidence in health care delivery in Ghana and West Africa will be enhanced. Your organization has contributed to the early beginnings of that process. For this the Korle-Bu Project team members both sides of the ocean are deeply indebted.

A Hall of Honour is being planned for the proposed *Korle-Bu Neuroscience Centre of Excellence for West Africa* lobby, and you can be sure that your generous contribution will be recognized and prominently displayed for generations to come.

I have learned over the past four years to never "underestimate the power of dreams and the influence of the human spirit. . . ." Your legacy of financial support, encouragement, and commitment to making a difference will live on in the lives of the people of Ghana and West Africa for years to come.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Ratel
Marjorie Ratel RN BSN
Chairperson
Korle-Bu Neuroscience Project



On June 23, 2004, the Korle-Bu Neuroscience Foundation presented President Duncan and Wilbur Walrond with an Award in recognition of the Rotary Club of Richmond's generous support of the Korle-Bu Neuroscience Project in Ghana.

2009 Shoes for Sri Lanka

During the 2009 visit of Rotarian Yoga Perera from Kandy, Sri Lanka, members from the Rotary Club of Richmond made personal contributions to provide shoes for low-income tea plantation children.



The Rotary Foundation

The mission of The Rotary Foundation (TRF) is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.



1990 Rotary Foundation Dinner



2002 Rotary Foundation Dinner



2006 Rotary Foundation Dinner



Each year, Rotarians are invited to attend a dinner to celebrate and acknowledge the work of The Rotary Foundation. It is here that Rotarians feel the magnitude and scope of The Rotary Foundation.



PolioPlus is the most ambitious program in Rotary's history. Beginning in 1985, Rotary's leadership inspired the World Health Assembly to pass a resolution to eradicate polio, which paved the way for the formation of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to rid the world of this crippling disease. The PolioPlus program helps Rotary fund operational costs, such as transportation, vaccine delivery, social mobilization, and training of health workers, and support surveillance activities.

Pennies for Polio

On September 22, 2010, the Rotary Club of Richmond presented 129 pounds of coins and bills to District Governor Penny Offer to meet the "Pennies for Polio" Challenge.



President Mahase Bahadoorsingh presents pennies to DG Penny Offer



Paul Harris Fellows

Donors of US \$1,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation or people who have that amount contributed in their name, can be recognized as Paul Harris Fellows. Those named as "Paul Harris Fellows" at the Rotary Club of Richmond are:

Chuck Albert (5)	Mahase Bahadoorsingh (2)	Dudley Barnes
Vivian Barr	Kathleen Barski	Bob Barski (2)
Patrick Beirnes	G J Blair	Duanne Boneham
Mike Broderick	John Costelloe	Stephanie Brodie
Ben Dayson	Christopher Browne	Lewis Dennison
Amy Douglas	Earnest Douglas	Barbara Duggan
Robert Eakin	Bill Foster	Max Fugman
Eugene Greczmiel	Hurley Grendees	Larry Grendus
Shirley Grendus	Greg Halsey-Brandt	Rick Hansen
Cory Holob (2)	Hilary Hui	Patsy Hui
Maureen Ilich	Milan Ilich	Ray Inouye
Shirley Inouye	Mary Kemmis	Ray Keyes
Ian Law	Alex Lee	Frederick Li
Philip Li (2)	Eiston Lo	Norman MacDonald
Jim MacPherson	Duncan McNiven	John Montgomery
John Nicolaou	Ada Nielsen	Helge Nielsen (2)
Joan Nielsen	Kurt Owins	Richard Paugh (2)
John Pratt-Johnson	Denise Pretty	Laurence Pretty
Kalmash Rai	Peter Raju (2)	Renita Raju
Usha Raju	Bob Ramshaw	Jim Ratsoy
Jindra Repa	Erika Rieve-Palmer	Max Scrimgeour
Vivian Scrimgeour	Jim Skelton	David Takahashi
Gelati Ting	Becky Tsukishima (2)	Keith Tsukishima (3)
William Vander Zalm	Milton Vint	Patrick Watson
Adrian Wong	Alice Wong	Kathleen Wong
Tamara Wong	Anthony Yurkovich (3)	Nancy Yurkovich



Ambulance Projects

Trinidad

In 2004, the club completed a joint project with the Rotary Club of Port of Spain West to purchase an ambulance and medical equipment for the Trinidad Red Cross Society. Grant contributors were the Rotary Club of Richmond, Trinidad and Tobago Cultural Society of B.C., Rotary Club of Port of Spain West and The Rotary Foundation.



Jamaica

The Jamaica ambulance project was completed in 2006. The ambulance was delivered, outfitted and used by the Mandeville Red Cross Society in Jamaica.



Kolkata

In 2009, the Rotary Club of Richmond, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan, acquired a Cardiac Ambulance for use in the city of Kolkata (formerly Calcutta), India. This was the third ambulance purchased by the Kolkata club. They hope to substantially reduce the fatalities and disabilities caused by heart attacks in their city.

The total cost of the ambulance was over \$38,000. The Rotary Club of Richmond contributed \$5,889, District 5040 \$5,863, District 3291 in India \$8,795 and The Rotary Foundation \$17,603.



Gateway Theatre Academy of the Performing Arts



Gateway Theatre Academy is an arts school that provides creative education for youth aged 6-18 in musical theatre, acting and voice. Each musical theatre session offers children extensive practical training in singing, dance, and acting. Other benefits to the program include improving the child's self confidence, courage and creativity. Of equal importance is improving the child's literacy and their ability to interact in a company of their peers. The Rotary Club of Richmond generously participated and donated to the Gateway Academy for three years.

Bursaries

The Rotary Club of Richmond received \$1,000 as part of the Rotary District 5040 grant. Our club matched this to provide 15 bursaries for young people to participate in the Gateway Theatre Academy.



Theatre Events

These events were made possible through the generous sponsorship of Accent Inns.

April 10, 2009, Rotarians and friends came to see Forever Plaid at the Gateway Theatre. Proceeds benefited the Gateway Academy and the Rotary Club of Richmond.

April 16, 2010, the second theatre night, labeled Courage, Compassion and Community, Rotarians and friends saw Around the World in 80 Days. Food and wine were provided for the guests. President Mahase presented \$3,340 each to Rotarian Major Margaret Evans of Rotary Hospice House and Rotarian Suzanne Haines of the Gateway Theatre.

April 14, 2011, the third annual theatre night, Rotarians and friends enjoyed food, wine and The Forbidden Phoenix at the Gateway Theatre. Proceeds benefited the Gateway Academy and the Rotary Club of Richmond.

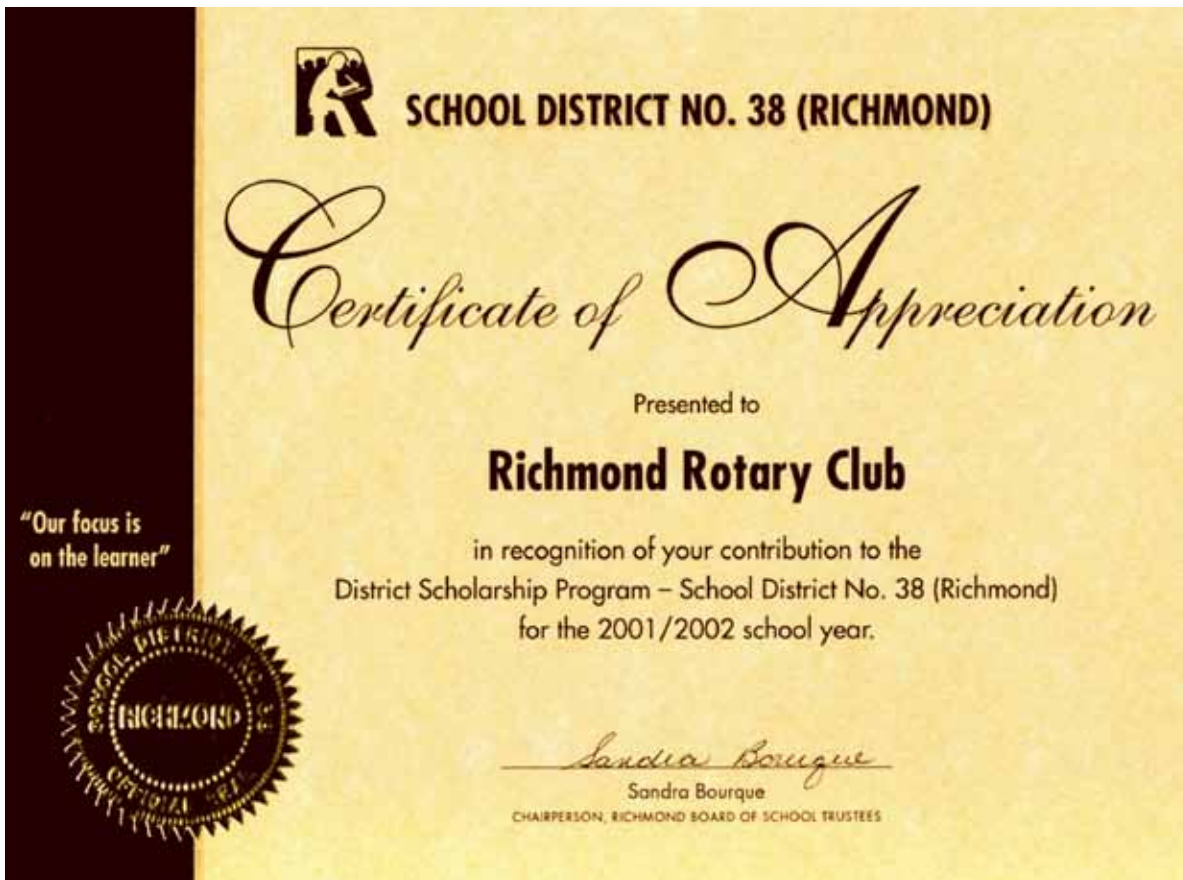


Youth Empowerment



The Rotary Club of Richmond presented Leslie Dell with \$2,500 for her Youth Empowerment program. Rotarian Skip Triplett made the presentation at our 2003 Rotary Walk.

High School Scholarships

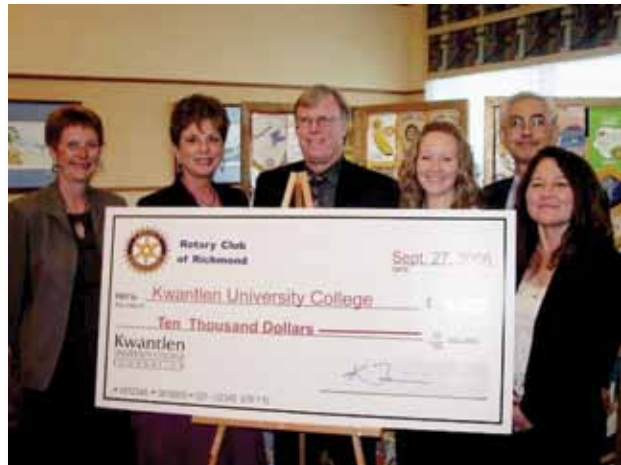


For many years, the Rotary Club of Richmond has awarded scholarships to high school students in School District No. 38 (Richmond)

Kwantlen Polytechnic University Endowment

On Wednesday September 27, 2006 a cheque for \$10,000 was presented to the Kwantlen University Foundation. These funds were matched by the University to create an endowment fund of \$20,000. Interest derived provides annual scholarships for students studying in the Faculty of Trades & Technology.

Funds for the donations came primarily from the 2006 Golf Tournament. This tournament was dedicated to the memory of our late Past President Robert J. Barski in recognition of his many years of service to his community, to Rotary, and to the ideal of "Service Above Self". Thanks to the organizational skills of Bob's wife Kelly, the tournament was a great success.



(R to L) Kelly Barski and Keith Tsukishima made the presentation to Kwantlen personnel, Christianne Hodson, Brian Carr, Christine Brodie and Dana Goedbloed.



Skip Triplett presenting Scholarship to Catherine Mathieson

"I would love to take this opportunity to really thank you. For the bursary award you donated to Kwantlen University on which I have the honour of being awarded at this time. I was so needed and has able me to finish my course stress free."

- A. Janzen

"I have been in the Ferrier program at Kwantlen since January 2007 and will graduate in December 2007. After which I plan to continue with my veterinary studies. I once again would like to express my heartfelt thank you for selecting me for this Rotary Club of Richmond Bursary. Horses have forever been my passion, my drive and my life. I have competed and trained horses for many years and before opening Golden Gifts Equine Rescues, a not-for-profit organization for neglected, mistreated and unwanted horses. I have put my rescue operation on hold to continue with my education. Thank you to all the members of the Rotary Club of Richmond for your generosity and support."

- Megan Dembroski





Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are either community or university based.

Rotaract Club of Richmond

"Rotaract is a very important part of my life. I believe in its important ability to help people in my community and to meet their needs through front-line and support work. Rotaract has also taught me valuable leadership skills including teamwork, event planning, and professionalism. More importantly, I became connected with amazing people from various Rotary Clubs, Rotaract Clubs, and in the community – my mentors and partners as we carry out our mission of service. The Rotary Club of Richmond has been instrumental and fundamental in providing me with this opportunity to serve the community – an opportunity for which I am very grateful." - King-mong Chan

"I was looking for a community organization which integrated social activity, community leadership, and volunteerism. Rotaract was a great fit. In the years of my involvement, we undertook many international and local projects. Although I have moved on from being a Rotaractor to a Rotarian many years ago, I still view my membership in Rotaract as the catalyst to my loyalty to the Rotary Family. It taught me that Rotary is forever – I learned the values of Rotary many years ago, and I still remain true to them to this day." - Stephanie Dobson (Brodie)



1992 Rotaract Function at London Farm



2004 Richmond Rotaract monthly meeting



2003 President's Ball
PDG Cory Holob and Rotaract Liaison, Raymond Chan presenting Stephanie Brodie with a Paul Harris Fellow for her work and leadership of the Rotaract Club of Richmond, especially her Book Drive project



2004 Rotaractors volunteering in the Richmond Sharing Farm

Rotaract Club of Richmond



2005 Rotaractors volunteering in the Habitat for Humanity project



2006 Rotaractors attending dinner marking official visit of RI President Wilf Wilkinson



2007 Rotaract President Gelati Ting was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow for her hard work and dedication to Rotaract. The presentation was made by Bill Denham, Rotaract Liaison, Michael Jacobson, Vancouver Rotaract Chair and Keith Tsukishima



2009 Ian Law and Eiston Lo receiving Paul Harris Fellows from President Albert Wong and District Governor Dean Rohrs



2011 Rotaract Club of Richmond Installation Dinner – President King-mong Chan





Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 12 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Interact Club of Richmond



1995 Installation

Memories of Interact

"Being a charter member of the Interact Club of Richmond and becoming part of a community service organization that is active throughout the world is a good feeling. Although it has been over a decade since my involvement with the organization, I can say that my attitude of "Service Above Self" can be attributed to my time spent with the club. Moreover, it was the friendships formed that continue to thrive and enrich my life today which made being a part of Interact a truly fun and memorable experience." - Fred Li



1999 Installation

2000 Installation



2003 Installation



2002 Installation



2006 Rotarian Alice Wong with sponsored Interactors at a dinner for visiting RI President Wilf Wilkinson



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be ages 14-30.

"Reflecting back, joining Interact and Rotaract were two of the best choices I made in my life. Not only did I get to volunteer for various non-profit organizations in the community, I also had many chances to sharpen my leadership skills though organizing projects and taking up board member roles. What I enjoyed most though, are the intrinsic rewards through making a small difference in the world with motivated fellow youths!

Rotaract has broadened my horizon in many ways, and I am very grateful to the Rotary Club of Richmond for setting up such a great platform for youths like me to give back to society while gaining invaluable friendships and experiences" - Gelati Ting



Learning and having fun at RYLA



Kelvin Lau and Michelle Lau inspired by RYLA

Kelvin Lau, Past President of Richmond Rotaract Club and Michelle Lau, a Richmond Rotaractor spoke of their inspirational 4 days of RYLA. They thanked the Rotary Club of Richmond for sponsoring them, and Sue Smith, District RYLA Chair.



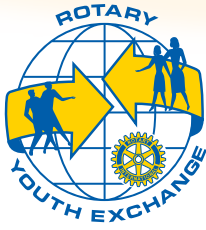
2007 President Keith Tsukishima presenting RYLA certificate to Kylie Lee, Vice President of Richmond Interact Club



Makoto Tsukishima with 2008 RYLA participants

"RYLA encourages one to inwardly ask constructive questions, and to outwardly share these ideas with others in a casual environment. Ultimately, RYLA is about introduction and introspection. It introduces immediately applicable and relevant matters. Matters regarding not only personal goals, but more importantly self satisfaction. It introduces new (and old) ideas from various points of view. Plus team interaction develops interpersonal and problem solving skills, and poses questions about previous preconceptions, values and approaches resulting in self constructive criticism. Additionally, one is introduced to new friendships and develops new networks. The camp is an opportunity to get involved in an even greater network of opportunities. Being part of the program feels like the time and the effort invested really matters. One is part of a truly influential whole." - Makoto Tsukishima, Architectural Technologist, sponsored to attend RYLA 2008 in Prince George





American-Japanese Student Summer Exchange

From 1974-1987, one of the highlights of the Rotary year was the visit of students to our club and to our homes. Rotary Clubs from Los Angeles, California contemplated a stop for their students on the way to Japan and asked the Rotary Club of Richmond, as the closest club to the airport, if we were interested. We were enthusiastic and so began a wonderful summer ritual.

Late June, a group of 20 or so American students came to Richmond and were hosted by members of our club. Their visits of 3 or 4 days included sightseeing, shopping, pool parties and dinner at the Spaghetti Factory before they left for Japan.

At the end of August, the Japanese students flew to California with their new found American friends and then to Richmond for a 3 day visit before returning to Japan. What a rewarding experience this was for our club.

We learned “ohayoogozaimasu”, “dooitashimashite” and “sayonara” and they practised their English. When communication was challenging, there were smiles, hand gestures and music. Each year one or two children of Richmond Rotarians joined the group; they have memories to last a lifetime.

One of the many beautiful memories was the moment on the way to the airport to say farewell to our Japanese students when the daughter of a club member said “Just think--three days ago we were strangers and now we are friends”.

Is this not Rotary in action?



The Yurkovich ladies with their Japanese guests



Entertaining Japanese students



Entertaining American students



Ray Inouye with students en route to Japan - 1981



Saying “Sayonara” at the airport



American-Japanese Student Summer Exchange

Joan and Helge Nielsen and their daughters hosting students



1985 Exchange



1986 Exchange



1985-1986 Exchange



1987 Exchange

"When I look back on this whole trip, some of my fondest memories will be of the times I spent in Vancouver with both of you and your wonderful daughters." - Nathalie June 24, 1983

"Every time I think of Canada I will remember you nice people." - L. Walker, California

"I never forget you. I had a good time in Canada." - S. Ishibashi, Japan August 1985

"My trip was very broadening, educational experience which I will remember for the rest of my life." - L. Bartholomew, Sept 1986.

"I beg you will accept my sincere thanks for all kindness." - T. Shimizu" Japan August 1987

"I would like to thank you very much for everything you've done to make my stay here pleasant and comfortable. I want to stay here more. Everything was just marvelous and everyone was so nice to me. It was the most significant experience, more so than any other in my whole life." - T. Yokozuka, Japan, 1988

"I thought that I did not want to come back home. If I can speak English very well and eat Japanese food, I want to live in Richmond all my life." - C. Edamura, Japan, Sept 1989

"I had a good time at Expo 86 and I wanted to stay in Vancouver longer." - Y. Kosuge, Japan, Sept 1986

"Dear host family. Thank you. You made me feel very happy and special, I will remember you all my life."

